

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: RECEIVING ENCRYPTED DATA AND  
OUTPUTTING DATA VIA DATA LINK  
LAYER TO AVOID ROUTING

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Examiner: N. Khoshnoodi

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.112 (NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed August 14, 2009, in the above-captioned case.

*Amendments to the Claims* are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

*Remarks* begin on page 7 of this paper.

	Claims remaining after Amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present extra
<b>Total</b>	19		20		0
<b>Independent</b>	3		3		0